



Human-Animal Interactions in Ireland

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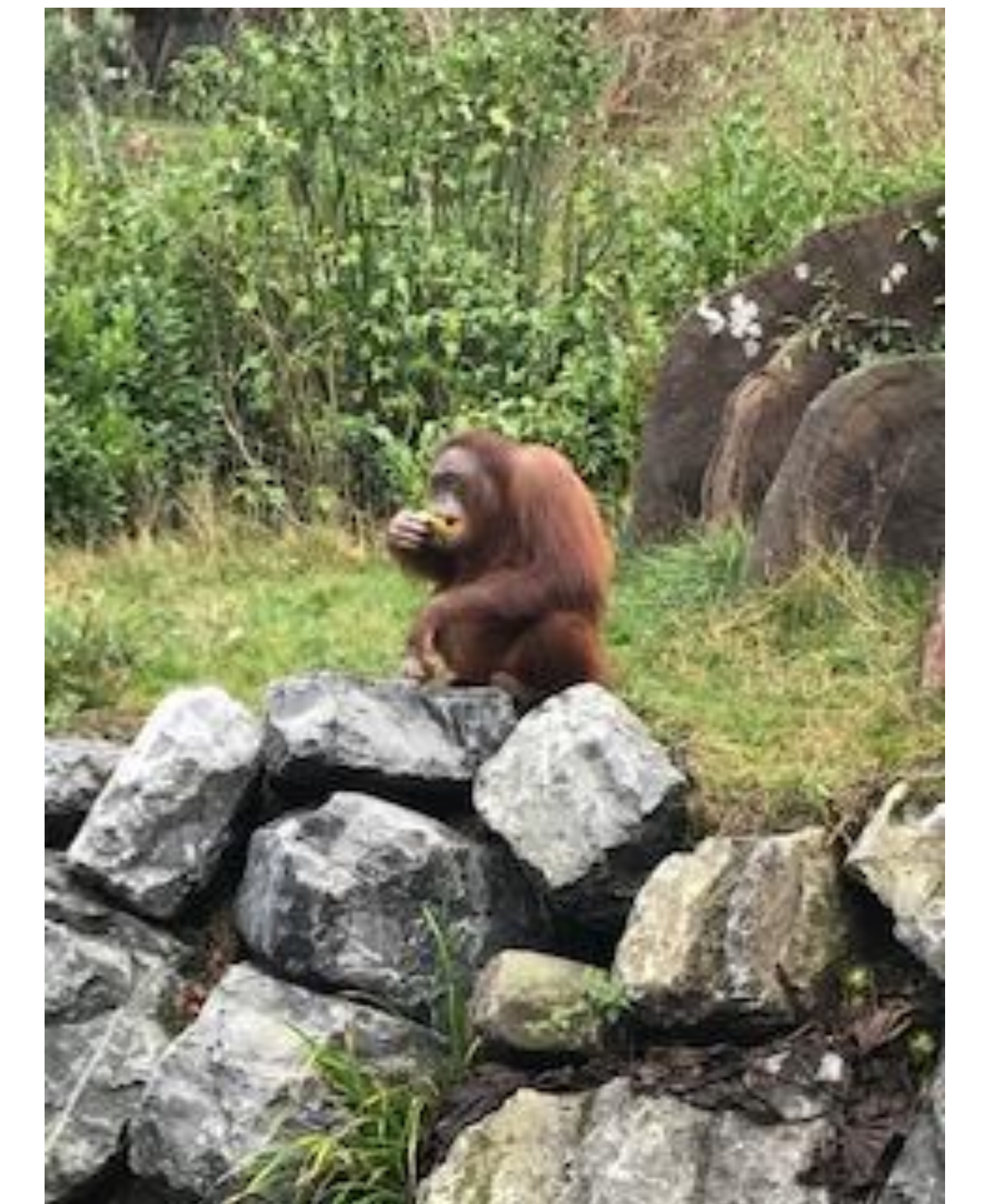
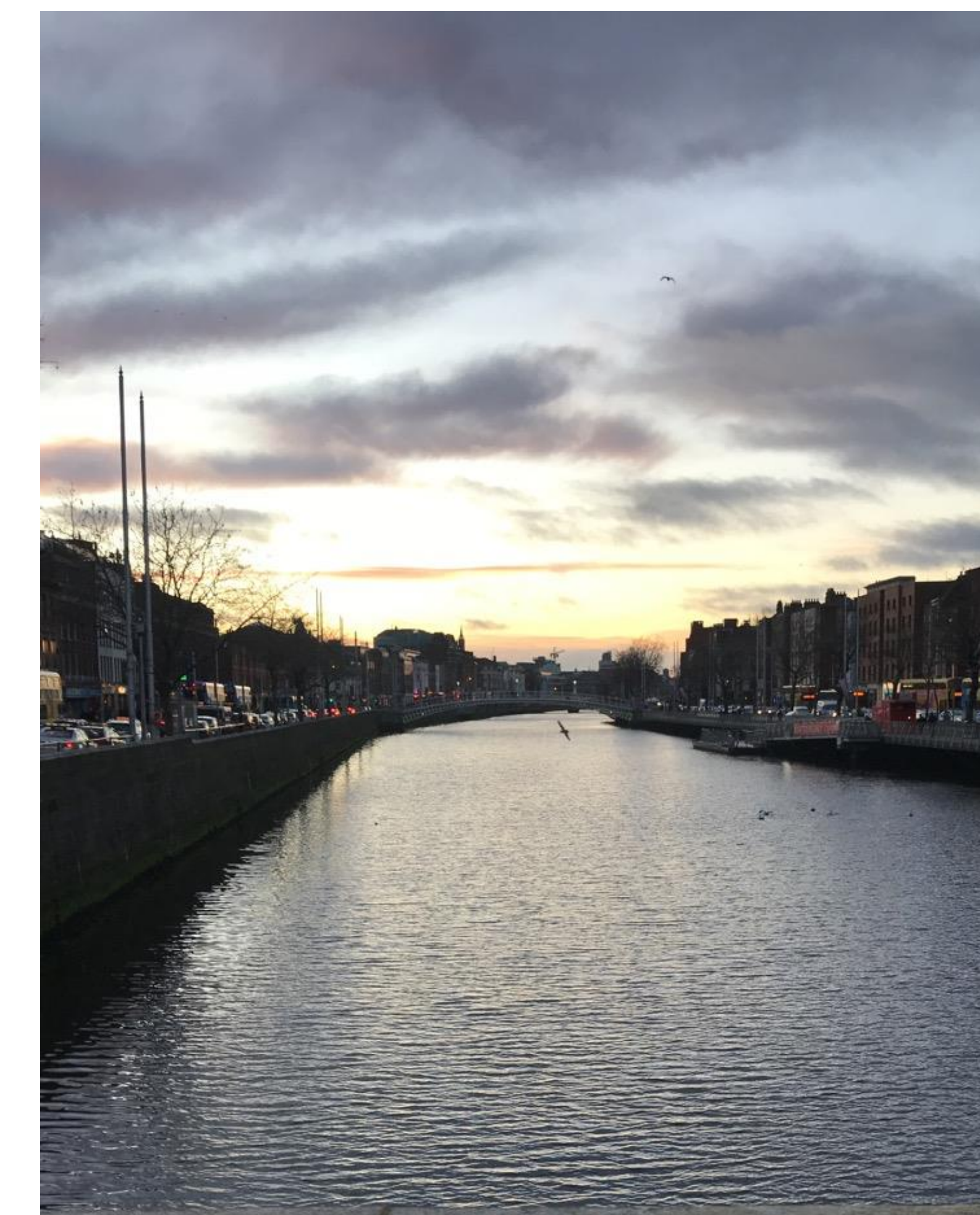
STEP Project Description:

- Education Abroad program to various parts of Ireland.
- Dec. 14 – Dec. 23 in country
- Cities: Dublin, Kilkenny, Cork, Shannon, and Galway
- Activities/Facilities: Dublin Falconry, Dog's Trust & Rehoming Centre, Shelbourne Greyhound Racetrack, Dublin Zoo, Folklore & Fairies at the Brazen Head Pub, University College of Dublin, John Renehan family sheep farm, Kytter's Inn, Moorepark Pig Facility, Fota Wildlife Park, Blarney Castle & Blarney Woolens, Donkey Sanctuary, Bunratty Medieval Banquet, Sean Hayes Beef Farm, Cliffs of Moher, Teagasc- Animal and Grassland Research and Innovation Centre, Glendeer Open Pet Farm, traditional Irish music and dance at Merry Ploughboys Pub



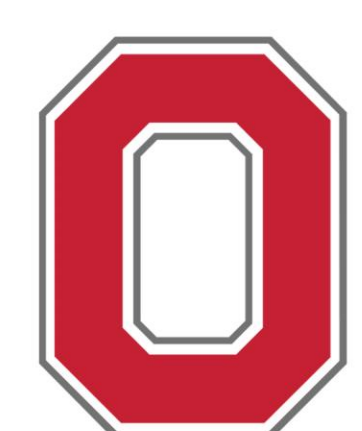
What was transformational about this project?

- Gained confidence in my ability to be flexible and try/explore new things without fear
- Changed/adjusted my view of human-animal interactions by learning about and understanding different animal management practices and philosophies
- Greatly improved my world view from a cultural and historical standpoint



Why did I select this project?

- To learn how other parts of the world interact with animals and how they run their facilities
- Experience human-animal interactions that are uncommon or do not exist in the United States
- Go outside of my comfort zone
- Experience and learn about a new culture and its history



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